

BASILICA OF OUR LADY IMMACULATE

Parish Community



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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT: *As the Eucharistic family of Our Lady Immaculate we believe in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We foster a welcoming and active faith community by sharing our gifts of time, talent and treasure. We continue to grow in the Spirit loving and serving God and each other.*

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Father Ian Duffy, Rector
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Basilica Staff

Joe Finocchio, Business Manager
 Susan Potvin, Parish Secretary
 Brian Smith, Custodian

Music Ministry

Joe Carere, Organist & Choirmaster
 Julian Mason, Organ Scholar

Parish Office Hours:

Monday to Friday 9:00am - 12:00 noon
1:00pm - 4:30pm

St. Vincent de Paul Society: 519-654-3575

Elementary Schools:

Saint Michael School
 9 McElderry Road
 Principal: Sue Majer.....519-823-2455
Saint Paul School
 182 Clairfields Drive East
 Principal: Philip DiNucci.....519-824-9470
Saint Ignatius of Loyola School
 251 Colonial Drive
 Principal: Robert Furfaro.....519-822-6192

Welcome to newcomers in the parish.

Registration forms are available at the office or on our website.

Hospital Registration:

Please be sure to indicate your religion and parish when entering the hospital.

Lord's Day Masses:

Saturday: 5:15pm
Sunday: 9:00 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon

Weekday Liturgies:

See schedule inside

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Wednesday 8:30 am to 12:00 noon

Sick and Shut-in Ministry:

Contact the parish office if you would like someone to bring Communion or to visit/call you.

High Schools:

Bishop Macdonell High School
 200 Clair Road West
 Principal: Stephen Gulyas.....519-822-8502
Our Lady of Lourdes
 54 Westmount Road
 Principal: Betty Farrell.....519-836-2170
Saint James High School
 57 Victoria Road North
 Principal: Mike MacPherson.....519-822-4290
St. John Bosco
 19 Northumberland Street
 Principal: Kellie Angerilli.....519-824-8909

Bequests:

Please consider a bequest to the Church of Our Lady to maintain our parish as a Symbol of Faith for future generations.

Sacrament of Penance:

Saturday: 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm
 First Saturday of the Month: 8:00 am - 8:45am

Sacrament of Baptism:

Please contact the Parish Office at least two months prior to the proposed date of Baptism. Application forms are available on the website.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Please contact the Parish at least nine months before the proposed date of marriage.

Sacrament of Anointing: Available upon request.

Correspondence Course:

This program is available to assist parents in the religious education of their children. It is available from Kindergarten to High School.

Funeral and Burial Arrangements:

When a death occurs in your family, please advise the parish immediately and we will assist you in making liturgical arrangements. For information on Catholic burial please contact the Cemetery Office at 836-8814 or 1-800-661-5985. www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca



Monday, November 1– All Saints

9:00a.m. – Missa Pro Populo

7:00p.m. – Missa Pro Populo

Tuesday, November 2– The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed

9:00a.m. – For all the Faithful Departed

12:15p.m.- For those who Died in Residential Schools

6:30p.m. – For All the Faithful Departed

Wednesday, November 3 – Ferial: Weekday

7:30a.m. – Diane Loeppky and Special Intentions for Maureen Pitman

8:30a.m. to 12:00 noon – Eucharistic Adoration

12:15p.m.– Deceased Bishops & Priests of the Diocese of Hamilton

Thursday, November 4 – St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

9:00a.m. –Special Intentions for Marlene Mason & Intentions of Thanksgiving, Celestin, Bernice & Patrick Dupuis

Friday, November 5 – Ferial: Weekday

9:00a.m. – Santhosh Geord, Kathleen Evans and Special Intentions of Therese & Kelly Strome & Johanna & Bill Connelly

Saturday, November 6– Ferial: Weekday

9:00a.m. – Pastoral Intentions

5:15pm – All the Souls, Justina Kreze, Alexxandro Brombel, Nicola Stafano, Carmela Distafano, Linda Donner

Sunday, November 7 – Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00a.m.- 10:30 a.m.-12:00 noon

PARISH & OTHER NEWS

REST IN PEACE

+We offer our prayers and sympathy to all the families who have recently lost a loved one. May they, and all our deceased loved one's rest in peace with the Lord.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

+Thank you for your gift \$11,006.52 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's blessings.

Change of Address

Contact Susan in the office 519-824-3951 or e-mail ourlady@churchofourlady.com

Learn to Pray the Divine Office

Since the earliest days the Church has prayed the Divine Office (Liturgy of the Hours) as a way to fulfill the Lord's command to "pray without ceasing". The various "Hours" of the Office punctuate the day with prayer, mostly drawn from the Psalms, the prayer book of Jesus. Over the centuries the Liturgy of the Hours became a prayer almost exclusively reserved to clergy and religious. However, the Second Vatican Council desired that the Divine Office once again become the "Prayer of the Church". Accordingly, I am pleased to offer a series of workshops for people interested in learning to pray the Divine Office. Sessions will be held on the following Wednesdays, November 3, 10 and 17. Please register with Susan in the office 519-824-3951. Each session builds upon the previous one, so all sessions are necessary. Breviaries will be available, but it is recommended that you purchase your own at a charge of \$60.00. Praying the Liturgy of the Hours will become a regular part of our worship here at the Basilica. All sessions are in the Basilica.

Fr. Ian Duffy, Rector
The Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate.

COVID VACCINES

The official position of the Catholic Church is that all available COVID vaccines are ethical and all Catholics who are able are encouraged to receive the vaccine. All employees serving in the Diocese of Hamilton are encouraged to be fully vaccinated or to submit to a COVID rapid test every Monday and Thursday in order to carry out their responsibilities. Volunteer liturgical ministers are required to be fully vaccinated. Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI encourages every member of the Catholic Church within our Diocese of Hamilton to be fully vaccinated.

Vocations

How are you contributing to the treasury? God knows what gift we give to Him in love. Let us then be faithful to whatever vocation God calls us to live. Does Jesus want you to give your life to the

Church? If you feel that God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Michael King, Director of Vocation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 ext. 2246 or email; vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

Direct Deposits

We have a weekly and monthly direct deposit available for parishioners who do not want to receive envelopes, please let the parish know and a form will be emailed to you, or you can register on www.basilicaofourlady.com.

Catechetical Correspondence Courses

Do your children attend public or private school, or do you home-school? If you are wondering how to support their ongoing formation in religious education, the Diocese of Hamilton offers Catechetical Correspondence Programs for every age and stage from Kindergarten through to High School including programs specially designed to assist children preparing for the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation. Contact Sybil at Hamilton Diocese 905-528-7988 extension 2339 or email: catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com

Online Learning for Adult Faith Formation

The Diocese of Hamilton is pleased to have the University of Dayton: Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF) as a partner in adult faith formation. The VLCFF is a living adult faith community offering online learning opportunities to address the learning needs of adults in our Diocese. Whether taking courses for professional development in ministry or for personal nourishment, the VLCFF provides a breadth of opportunity for full certificate programs, five-week online courses and three-week intensive online seminars. For more information check out the **Hamilton Diocese learns web page** or contact the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis at (905) 528-7988 ext. 2339 or catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com.

St. Vincent De Paul – Basilica Conference

1. The Basilica Conference of St. Vincent de Paul, would like to extend to our parishioners a grateful THANK YOU for the many, many pajamas and sleepwear items collected during the past several weeks. Your generosity is greatly appreciated by all those less fortunate who frequent the Dropin Centre. **“A good laugh and a long sleep are the best cures in the doctor’s book.”** Irish Proverb

2. With the onset of chilly weather, Vinnie’s Table (outdoors) is wrapping up! Distribution of food will continue through the cold, winter months via the Dropin Centre. We look forward to being back down the stairs of Catholic Hill in the Spring! Thank you to everyone for your whole-hearted support of this new initiative.
3. As a direct result of the generosity of our parish and through an initiative of the Basilica Conference of St. Vincent de Paul started in 2019, over 7,000 meals have been provided for the less fortunate of our community. These meals are lovingly prepared in our own Parish Kitchen and are distributed through the Dropin Centre, Grace Gardens and the Royal City Mission. **In the words of St. Vincent de Paul, “Extend your mercy towards others, so that there can be no one in need whom you meet without helping.”**
4. **November 29, 2021 is World Day of the Poor**, the theme is “for the poor you have always with you”. Please join our Basilica Conference of Saint Vincent de Paul in extending a helping hand by donating a pair of gloves or mittens to someone in need. Baskets are available in the Narthex to accept your donations. **“To fold the hands in prayer is well, to open them is charity is better.”** French Proverb

Restart: A Separation & Divorce Recovery Program

Feeling the need for support, healing and/or hope after a separation or divorce? The Diocesan ReStart Programs support your journey, providing you with tools to remain healthy. For more information contact Teresa at the Family Ministry Office (905) 528-7988 ext. 2250

Pregnancy Support – Volunteer Training Session

On Saturday, November 13 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, the Sanctuary Outreach Pregnancy Support program will be offering a virtual training session on how to journey with, support women and families who are facing an unexpected pregnancy. The session is free and includes training on active listening, local resources and understanding the challenges women and families face. Anyone interested in supporting pregnant women in need is welcome. To register, email s or call 519-836-6311 by Monday, November 8, 2021.

November is a Food Drive Month, please drop off your canned goods in the Narthex of the Basilica.

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